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PROBLEMS FOR SOLUTION.

ALGEBRA.

278. Proposed by W. J. GREENSTREET, M. A., Editor of The Mathematical Gazette, Stroud, England.

$xyz((\Sigma x)^2 < 3\Sigma y^2 z \Sigma yz^2$, if x, y, z are positive.

GEOMETRY.

309. Proposed by J. SCHEFFER, A. M., Kee Mar College, Hagerstown, Md.

To find the equation of Brocard's Ellipse, the sides b and c of the triangle being the axes of coördinates.

310. Proposed by L. H. MacDONALD, A. M., Ph. D., Sometime Tutor in the University of Cambridge, Jersey City, N. J.

Construct a plane triangle having given the base, the vertical angle, and the bisector of the vertical angle.

CALCULUS.

234. Proposed by G. B. M. ZERR, A. M., Ph. D., Parsons, W. Va.

Find the first negative pedal of an ellipse semi-axes a, b referred to origin as center, and show that its entire area is $\frac{\pi}{2} \left[\frac{(a^2 + b^2)^2}{4ab} + ab \right]$.

MECHANICS.

198. Proposed by J. SCHEFFER, A. M., Hagerstown, Md.

Three spheres of the same material, radii R, r, S , rest upon a horizontal plane, touching each other. Find the radius of a sphere of the same material as the others which, being placed upon the other three spheres, will just prevent the latter from separating, the coefficient of friction between the spheres being μ , and between the spheres and the table being μ' .

DIOPHANTINE ANALYSIS.

145. Proposed by JOHN D. WILLIAMS (being the twelfth of his 14 challenge problems proposed in 1832).

Make $x^2 + y^2 = \square$, $\frac{5}{2}(x^2 + y^2) = \text{a cube}$, $xy = 2x^3$, $2(x+y) + \frac{xy}{x+y} = \square$, and $(x^4 + y^4)(x^2 + y^2) - (x^5 + y^5) \vee (x^2 + y^2) = \square$.